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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I live in a rural area. Broadband competition is what makes the internet affordable, but right now we have to pay whatever the company wants to charge, as they have no competition for our phone service. We need free-market access to both phone and internet service so that we can shop around and make best choices for ourselves. That is hard to do when there are no competitors!

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